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## CAS BOARD COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW

**O**n September 26, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics submitted a list of recommendations for the Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) Board to consider in formulating its comprehensive review of CAS requirements. The recommendations include a plan for how the CAS Board should conduct the review and some key areas the CAS Board should consider for possible revision or elimination.

In response to the CAS Board's announcement of the review and request for comment in the Aug. 9, 2000, *Federal Register*, the Director of Defense Procurement conducted a series of public meetings to obtain input of interested parties on how the CAS requirements could be modified, clarified, or eliminated. This input was used to develop a plan de-

scribing how the CAS Board should proceed with its comprehensive review. The plan recommends public discussion meetings, with the use of industry and government representatives to perform any necessary research and analysis.

The input provided at the public meetings was also used to develop a list of recommendations on key areas the CAS Board should consider in conducting its comprehensive review. The recommendations focus on relying more upon commercial practices in those areas where there is not significant risk to the government.

A copy of the recommendations can be found at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/cpf> (CAS Streamlining Review).